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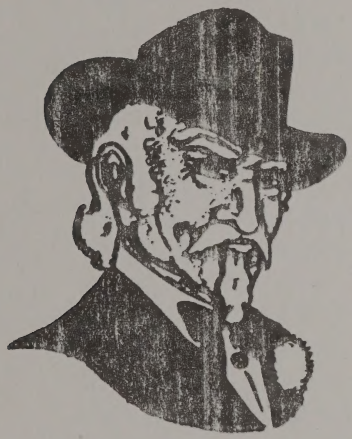

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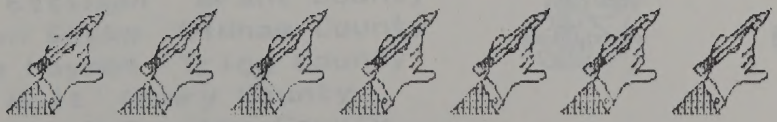

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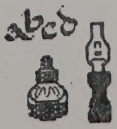

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SCROOGE IS HIT OF HOLIDAY SEASON

KSB students under Mrs. Nolen's direction presented "Scrooge", the musical version of A CHRISTMAS CAROL, on December 15 and 17 to audiences packed into the Richie Auditorium. Mike McCarty, ninth grader from Marion County, was wonderful in the title role. Humbug! The Spirit of Christmas Past was played by Amanda Durik, the Spirit of Christmas Present by Vurah Runyon, and the Spirit of Christmas Future by Kevin Patton. Roger Abercrombie played Jacob Marley's ghost while Eddie Worley sang Marley's song. Michael Cleveland thrilled audiences as Tiny Tim; Derek Allen played Bob Cratchit while Ellen Cain was Mrs. Cratchit. Jerry Ettinger was Scrooge's nephew Fred. Billy Myers, Philip Taylor, and Sean Dorsey were delightful Scrooge's Stooges.

Other students in the large cast were Nancy Williams, Tina Shelton, Carlissa Taylor, Ame Kerr, Jennifer Pearl, Sammy Hall, Lori Stith, Larry Marcum, Earl Hart, Mike Cochran, Glenda Ritchie, Sue Edsell, Tonia Boyd, Marty Montgomery, Tammy Haynes, John Lake, Sandra Jones, Margaret Mattingly, Helen Michie, and Bryan Early. Many, many staff members and friends of the school contributed to the success of the musical.

SIXTEEN STUDENTS MAKE FIRST NINE WEEKS HONOR ROLL

Beginning the 1987-88 academic year successfully was everyone's goal; sixteen middle and high school students succeeded in making the Honor Roll for the first grading period. Congratulations to Roger Abercrombie, Tonia Boyd, Ellen Cain, Amanda Durik, Sue Edsell, Jerry Ettinger, Ottis Florence, Mack Keaton, Ame Kerr, Mike McCarty, Billy Myers, Kevin Patton, Vurah Runyon, Tina Shelton, Philip Taylor, and Roger Wheatley! Keep up the good work!

A FRIEND FOR ALL SEASONS

The Kentucky School for the Blind held a very special arts program on November 30, 1987. The dance program was called "A Friend for All Seasons".

The program consisted of fifteen K.S.B. students from kindergarten to the fifth grade.

The fifteen students who were in the program were Tabatha Barnes, Amanda Bitters, Laura Cornwell, Chasity Cowin, Elizabeth Hall, Rebecca Hall, Sherril Holt, Paula Hester, Joni Morris, Michelle Powell, Monica Simpson, Traci Smith, Felicia Stewart, Dana Vibbert, and Crystal Williams. The girls say that they appreciate the support and they enjoyed performing for the audience.

We would not only like to thank the people who came and supported our girls, but the announcer Larry Mann, the light and sound directors Ricky Ricks and Cloyd Oaks, the backstage rowdies Rene Farrell, Dianne Ryan, Mary Jane Sims, and the dance instructors Kat Cunningham and Loretta Greenlee.

Thanks to Anne Cassidy, State Director-Very Special Arts Kentucky; Stephanie Stagg, Jefferson Co. Coordinator-Very Special Arts Kentucky; Ricky Ricks, K.S.B. Coordinator; David Hume, Music Advisor, and the students in Special III, Program Production.

Very special thanks to the Kentuckiana Capezio Dance and Theater Shop for donating the leotards and tights and to the WHAS Crusade for Children for financial support.

Finally, thanks to the many K.S.B. staff members who contributed to the success of this program.

The program went very well. All enjoyed themselves and the children who were in the program enjoyed doing it.

FIVE STUDENTS ENTER ESSAY CONTEST

The Veterans of Foreign Wars again invited KSB middle and high school students to put their writing abilities to work and to enter the essay contest for 1987. This year's topic was quite fitting--"What the Constitution Means to Me." Five students entered this year's contest and their essays are printed below. These writers, all entering the contest for the first time, are Marty Montgomery, Malinda Mullins, Philip Taylor, Bryan Early and Helen Michie. Prizes will be announced in February.

What the Constitution Means to Me
by Marty Eugene Montgomery

The amendments are as important as the original copy of the Constitution, as important as the articles that haven't changed. The Bill of Rights gives the right to a trial by jury or a judge and the right to due process of law. The first ten amendments are called the Bill of Rights. To me there is not a better document in the world than the Constitution.

The people thought about what to put in the Constitution. I could imagine what it would have been like to be one of the delegates at that great Constitutional Convention because there would be a lot of friends there. The Constitution is the highest law of the land. Before the Constitution was writtern there was another document called the Declaration of Independence which granted the U.S.A. freedom from Great Britain.

The Declaration of Independence does not grant us the right to due process of law and other rights and freedoms. I think that the Constitution was meant to take the place of the Declaration of Independence because it was a higher document than the Declaration of Independence was. The Constitution was how the Supreme Court decides if you're guilty or innocent by reading through the Bill of Rights, the other amendments and articles.

What the Constitution Means to Me
by Malinda Mullins

I appreciate having a Constitution. It means I have freedom to do anything I want to do within the law I can go to school and get an education that I need. Having a Constitution means I can choose and have my friends. I can talk to anyone I want. My parents can provide money for our family. There is less segregatio between people of different races. I have the right to vote for what I feel is a value to myself and to my country. I can also vote for presidential positions.

After reading a selection in the text edition, I have a clearer meaning of what the Constitution means to me. appreciate the important people at Independence Hall taking two and a half months to create and sign the Constitution on that special day of September seventeenth in 1776. Personally I think it is really neat that we have worked to keep it in existence. Thos are my true feelings toward the Constitution.

What the Constitution Means to Me
by Philip Taylor

The Constitution means to me the rights I have, an the responsibilities toward my country. It makes all the suffering from the bloody wars and battles that we have fought worth it. And yet, it means a little more than this. It means the freedom and independence the people of the United States have earned and fought for. The Constitution is the document of the laws by which the people of our country are governed. It also means the men and women who have fought and died for our independence and freedom will always be remembered.

On the Statue of Liberty the written words express the philosophy of our country, when it says, "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free." The Bill of Rights, which is part of the Constitution, has made it possible to give any person the rights he needs to live free in our country.

Our Constitution was provided by honorable men like Washington, Lincoln, Franklin, Jefferson, and John Hancock. Thanks to these people I have the right to a good education, to be friends with any person of any race, to be any religion I choose. I have freedom of speech, and I can serve the Lord in the way I want.

Personally it means being able to do the things that are fair not just to me, but to my country as well. I am proud to say we do not have to sneak around or worry about getting arrested as long as we obey the laws and we can do these things openly and be proud of it. The Constitution has proven that we are all created equal and that no person is better than the other. It's like our state motto says, "United We Stand Divided We Fall." We must all work together to keep our country free and prosperous. I thank God for the men and women who have made our Constitution possible.

What the Constitution Means to Me
by Bryan Early

The Constitution is the written law of the U.S. That means the freedom to speak, the freedom to vote, the freedom to do necessary things, the freedom of religion, the freedom of the press. The Constitution has all sorts of laws that protect people of the United States. I believe that I have these certain rights. I feel proud of my country and the Constitution and I also believe that the Constitution was hard to write.

The Constitution is the words we live by. On September 17, 1776, at 4:00 was when the Constitution was written and I am also proud of Kentucky. Some people don't have the rights to vote, speak out, go to school and to church. The Constitution was hard work and people were not allowed to come into the building where the people were working on the Constitution.

What the Constitution Means to You
by Helen Michie

The Constitution says that we can have the freedom of speech. If you didn't have the freedom of speech, this will happen. If you were talking about the governor (not bad but just talking) and a policeman sees you, you'll probably go to jail.

The Constitution also says that all men are created equal. If you were in the living room not doing anything wrong and the police came, you will probably go to jail. In America these examples don't happen.

We can also have independence. We can go where we want to--anyplace we want to and do whatever we want. We have the right to privacy. We can write what we want in our letters without the postmen taking out what they didn't like.

We have the right to religion. We can go to any church we want to and believe in God if we want to.

On September 17, 1987, we celebrated the 200th anniversary of our Constitution. We had a parade, the pledge, and things on T.V.--two specials. At four all the bells rang to celebrate the signing of the Constitution.

DAVID ANDREW HADL

David Hadl is nineteen years of age. He has been going to KSB for eleven years. He attended Ahrens Vocational School during his junior and senior years where he studied cabinet making. David lives in Jefferson County. He was on the wrestling team for four years, in swimming for four years, and in track for three years. He was co-captain of the wrestling team for one. year. David plans after graduation to get back into another vocational school and to get a part-time job. He liked living in the Independent Dorm because it taught him to live on his own.

JOHN SCROGHAM

John Scrogham is nineteen years of age. He has attended KSB for eight years. He has been in track for seven years and in swimming for seven years. He attended Lyndon Vocational School to take horticulture during his junior and senior years. He has lived in Louisville for eight years with his parents. He likes to go bike riding and swimming and to collect caps. His plans after graduation are to live on his own in an apartment and to work at Carl Dreisback's nursery for a while. He has worked in the greenhouse to learn how to work with plants.

Robert J. Miller

I came from Owensboro, Kentucky, and I have lived in Owensboro for four years. Three of the four years were spent at K.S.B. In my three years at K.S.B. I have learned a lot from all of the staff at K.S.B.

I plan to find a job and to get some vocational training in several different fields. I plan to stay in Louisville for at least five or six years. As of now, I'm involved in wrestling for one purpose, to get first place in the state tournament.

OTTIS CLAY FLORENCE, JR.

Ottis is from Paris and he attended grade school in Bourbon County. He came to KSB in 1977 when he was in the fifth grade. His first teachers were Mrs. Howser and Ms. Goode. His first cottage parent was Mrs. Oaks in old Patton Cottage.

He started participating in sports in the sixth grade. He was involved in junior varsity sports--track and field, wrestling, and swimming. The first varsity sport for him was wrestling. He was on the wrestling team for seven years. His junior year he was captain of the wrestling team. His junior year he was first in the Kentucky Invitational Wrestling Tournament and the team won first. He was second at the NCASVH Wrestling Tournament which was held at the Wisconsin School for the Blind. His wrestling coach was Mr. Mann. He was also on the track team for six years and his coach was Mrs. Johnson.

He will be graduating from KSB on June 1, 1988. But while he has been at KSB, he has taken wood shop, ceramics, band, and typing. During his senior year he took computer with Miss Ruconich and he enjoyed it very much. During his junior and senior years he took horticulture at Lyndon Vocational School and his teacher was Mr. Lose. Some of his favorite classes were algebra, biology and English.

Ottis lived in Huntoon House for nine years and enjoyed it very much. He thought dorm life was very different, because at home, it is just family. But in dormitory life, there would be a houseparent and many boys his own age. During his junior year he applied for the Boys' Independent Living Dorm and he was accepted. He enjoyed it very much and learned a great deal while he was in it.

Ottis has also been involved in campus activities such as the greenhouse which was started by Ricky Ricks.

His goals are to go to an adult vocational school or to go to college and study horticulture. His other goal would be to get a job at a nursery.

SEAN DUNSLY

This has been a wonderful year for me at the Kentucky School for the Blind. I've learned a lot of things since first coming here on August 24, 1987. I learned how to work and operate a computer, which I've always had a liking for. During my short course here last spring, I learned how to play the piano.

This fall I was involved in track and field. The team went undefeated and was proclaimed one of the school's best. I'm recently inolved in wrestlling. Larry Mann, our coach, has told us this has been one of the best track and wrestling teams he's ever been involved with. The people of K.S.B. are some of the warmest folks a guy could know. I've made a lot of new friends here and love them all dearly.

I also tip my hat off to the dorm parents John and Robert, and also to the recreation supervisors Dee Howard (when you think you can play basketball, look me up) and Scott Colvin and the food service people.

I plan to attend Kentucky State University and to major in creative writing.

Dwight Civils

I live in Madisonville, Kentucky, and I started K.S.B. in 1984 at the age of 16 and will graduate in 1988. My goals are to pursue a career in communications when I graduate. While I was at K.S.B. I participated in track and field my first year. During my second year I was manager of the track team. During my third and fourth year I was not able to participate in track and field because of eye problems.$p During my fourth year I have been involved in the Independent Living Program. I have been learning how to cook and prepare food. I am also learning how to clean and shop independently. I am going to Lyndon Vocational School where I take a course in Home and Community Services.

I will miss the students and staff at K.S.B. When I graduate I am planning to attend vocational school to learn more about radio communications.

Mary Ann Link

Mary Ann Link's home county is Henderson. She has attended KSB since first grade.

She has been involved in many school activities. Some of the activities are Brownies, Girl Scouts, Explorers group, secretary of her junior class and treasurer of her senior class, song leader of Future Homemakers of America club, track for two years, forensics and cheerleading for one year and Ms. Gordh's girls' group. She says, "I enjoyed all these activities that I was in."

She has attended Lyndon Vocational School in her senior year where she took a child development class. She says, "I really enjoy meeting people and learning how children grow."

The courses Mary Ann likes the most and appreciates are mobility, typing, computer, and Chorus. She says, "The independent dorm teaches you how to become more independent." Some of the things she learned are to budget money, to cook and to do various chores in the dorm. She says, "I like mobility most in the spring because you get to walk outside." In moblility she has learned how to use the cane and has learned bus travel.

Her hobbies are doing things off-campus, such as shopping and going to movies. She likes singing and going to church. Other things she likes to do are going to concerts, arts and crafts shows, listening to music, listening to ball games, and going to parties.

Her favorite memory is at lunch time. She says, "I had a certain group that I sat with at lunch. We would talk laugh and a good time." She would see most of her friends after school. They did many things together.

She says, "My plans for the future are uncertain but I'm thinking about going to adult vocational school."

Mary Ann concludes, "KSB has helped me to become more independent and get along with other people. KSB has many opportunities for students who attend here."

ANITA MATTINGLY

Anita Mattingly has attended KSB for ten years. She is from Nelson County where she attended Foster Heights for three years.

Anita arrived in 1977; her first dorm parents were Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. Berry and Allan Cottage was her dorm. At first she had a hard time adjusting to being away from home.

Anita was in junior varsity swimming from two years and she participated in track for one year. Anita's favorite sport was cheerleading; she was on the squad for five years. She thinks sports are a very important asset of KSB and recommends them to everyone.

Anita has attended Ballard High School for three years. At Ballard she has taken part in Air Force ROTC for three years. She has enjoyed this class and has learned a lot about the world and herself. In her junior year she participated in a trip to Florida with ROTC and she hopes to participate in another trip with ROTC before she graduates. She recommends that all students take part in attending a public school part-time.

Anita has participated in the Independent Dorm Program for two years. This has helped her prepare for life after KSB. Anita has been in the career development class for the last two years. This year she has a job off-campus at Bon Voyage Travel Agency.

Anita collects koala bears and enjoys learning about different places around the world. She also enjoys traveling, watching T.V. and listening to music.

Anita plans to attend college after graduation and someday she hopes to be a travel agent. In college she plans to major in Travel and Tourism. After she completes all of this she plans to settle down and have a family.

Anita believes that K.S.B. has helped her become a well-rounded person. She has learned a lot through all the programs she has participated in. Anita hopes the school will keep up the Independent Dorm Program, public school program, and the Career Development Program. She hopes it will keep up and develop the computer program. She hopes all students take advantage and get as much out of K.S.B. as she has.

ELLEN MICHELLE CAIN

Ellen Cain has attended KSB for the past three years. She is from Todd County which is in the western part of Kentucky.

During Ellen's first year here she was in Merwin II and was a sophomore when she left her family and friends to start an exciting life here in KSB. During her sophomore year she enjoyed being able to participate in track, cheerleading, swimming, forensics, and was vice-president of the sophomore class. Her junior year became more busy with such activities as track co-captain, cheerleading co-captain, treasurer of the junior class, Student Council secretary, forensics, and being involved in the Girls' Independent Living Program. Her senior year was more thrilling than the year before when she was involved as cheerleading captain, senior class vice-president, forensics, and again being in the Independent Dorm. Ellen has also worked part-time at the American Printing House putting her computer skills to good use.

"I never regret coming to KSB. It has been a challenge and has been lots of fun," said Ellen.

Ellen has several hobbies that she enjoys while not in school or working. She likes to collect Mickey Mouse memorabilia and she enjoys running.

Ellen also attended Jeffersontown Vocational School during her junior and senior years. She studied BASIC, RPG II, and programming languages during her junior year. During her senior year she studied ANSI COBOL and accounting. She really enjoyed going to vocational school and she did a good job in her work there.

This senior wants to go to Western Kentucky University and major in Computer Science with a minor in U.S. history. After that she hopes to become a computer programmer and someday to get married.

As Ellen looks back as KSB, she remembers both sad and happy memories, such as having having her mother cry her first year here at school, all the trips that took place, all the loving friends she made at other schools within the conference, but most of all, the friendly, warm hospitality here at KSB.

Ellen believes the school has helped her achieve a lot more than academics. She has learned more about herself and about others around her. She believes if it weren't for help of various staff members that she wouldn't be involved in computer work today. Ellen wishes to thank everyone for making her three years at KSB exciting and memorable.

SOUNDS IN THE HALL
by Bryon Little

Walking down the hall today I heard many interesting sounds. I heard many noises like locker doors slamming. Lots of people were sharing what they did and what they are going to do in class. Some people were arguing back and forth with one another. Some were in such a rush they were running and falling. Some were rattling papers and some were even eating potato chips. There were also some students laughing and telling jokes.

A SENIOR'S WORRIES
by Ellen Cain

Suppose you were a senior again in high school, but now living in the '80's. What type of worries would you have? There are many worries that I have as a senior. I have five months before I graduate and, believe me, it is scary.

Some typical types of worries that most seniors have are: Will I go to college? Will I find a decent paying job? Will I settle down and get married? These are not all, but just to name a few.

Let's look at the three examples listed above and explain them in some detail. Will I go to college? This has to be a tough question for most seniors to answer. From what I have heard, college is a lot tougher than high school and you have to study frequently--every night--to pass with a decent grade. Also, look at it from this point of view; college is more expensive than high school unless you have such things going for you as your family has a lot of money or you are intelligent enough to get a scholarship. College is tough, but when the going gets tough, the tough get going.

Will I find a decent paying job? In today's world, it is hard to find a good paying job without skills, knowledge, and some type of training. There are some people who find great jobs without ever going to college.

Will I get married? This is a major step in any person's life, particularly after graduation. Reason has it that people who marry young won't be married when they grow older.

It is hard for seniors in the 1980's. They have so much pressure from their peers to succeed. This sometimes makes a senior realize that he or she must wake up and face reality, that he is growing up to be a more mature adult. Seniors feel that this is sometimes the most difficult time in their lives when they are faced with decisions that they didn't have to worry about before now. Sure, some seniors have it easy after their junior year, but they have to worry about how they are going to plan their futures.

We all have worries at times but being a senior and deciding how to plan the rest of your life involves tough and difficult decisions. All seniors should be responsible enough to plan what they are going to do in life. Being a senior is hard when you are not quite certain what you want to do in life. But one thing is sure; you better have plans and know how to act on them because no one is going to pay your way through life. Seniors can achieve anything they want by having plans and knowing how to act on them.

SENIOR FEARS
by Anita Mattingly

Most of us have fears and things we are afraid of. We do not realize what fears are until we are on the verge of adulthood.

Most of us anticipate our senior year and plan so many wonderful things we will do. Then your senior arrives and you face the facts that you have important decisions to make. This brings you down to reality and prepares you for what lies ahead. Within your senior year you will decide whether or not to go to college. For most people this is a hard decision, but once decided, they must choose the right college. With help and support from family, friends, and some special people who care a lot about you, you will.

These, along with many decisions you must make, become senior fears. You are so afraid that you might fail and let everyone down, including yourself. I know all about these fears because I am faced with these decisions.

WHAT BOTHERS ME
by Timmy Davis

I've got a lot of things that bother me, such as flies!

My mom, my dad, my brother and I are foster parents and we keep foster kids. We have two girls, they are two and three years old. What bothers me is that they will be leaving us soon. They will be adopted and that will hurt all of us because we have had them for almost three years.

Something else that bothers me is when I get zeroes on my papers and work. It bothers me when I see people in fights.

But the thing that bothers me the most is my sight because I can't see stars and stuff like that, but I am glad that I can see.

THE PERSON WHO HAS INFLUENCED ME THE MOST

by Mary Ann Link

The person who has influenced me the most is Jeff Dixon. I met Jeff when I was thirteen. We are close friends. He has helped me in many ways. He is friendly and out-going. He is very nice. He is a good listener. It took some time before he could talk to me. Being around Jeff is fun.

Before Christmas I talked to him about some problems in the dorm. He would listen to me and try to give advice. The advice that he gives me makes me really stop to think about what he says.

He has a good Christian background. His dad and mother teach my Sunday School class. His understanding of the Bible and his dedication to going to church have influenced me to keep going to church. He has influenced me to stay in the youth group. The youth group consists of seventh grade to college.

He has helped me to be more out-going and to overcome my shyness. An example is that he would beg me to sing a solo in church. He wouldn't leave me alone until I would sing. That was my first solo I have done. Another example is when Jeff had asked me to do a testimony on Youth Sunday. I was nervous. He is always encouraging me to do all the activities that the youth group does.

Sometimes I worry about what people think about me and if they like me. Jeff and other people have made me realize that I should be myself. I don't expect everyone to like me.

He has helped me to become more aware of how people are afraid to talk to a blind person. Last summer I went on a mission trip. Jeff was joking about my blindness. He was joking in a nice way. Jeff parked by some water. Jeff and another person helped me get out of the van. Jeff told me to take a big step. I took a big step and did the splits. The next night he embarrassed me by telling everyone at that church.

Jeff's great personality and positive attitude make a good person to have as a friend.

THE TRIALS OF SALEM
by Dwight Civils

The people of Salem Village were being accused of being witches. When trials were held, some of the people went to jail and some were hung.

I think that the trials were unfair because the judge did not let the persons speak for themselves. If a person pleaded not guilty, the judge would say that they were. They would be taken up a ladder and a rope would be put around their neck so they could be hung. Twenty-six were hung and one man was stoned. Most of the people who were not given a fair trial were women.

A woman named Sarah lived to prove her sisters' innocence. Sarah had been taken to a hut where she spent one year in isolation. After the trials ended and they stopped accusing women of being witches, Sarah was able to go home. Sarah died a week after clearing her sisters' names.

NOTE: This was written after viewing "Three Sovereigns for Sarah."

WRESTLING
by Roger Wheatley

I think wrestling is a great sport, because it is fun to do and it teaches you a lot of things. In wrestling you learn more than moves. You learn responsibility and leadership qualities. It makes you want to go your work done in school, because if you don't get your work done, you cannot wrestle. In wrestling you get to meet other people from other schools. Since our wrestling program is a little different from other programs, we get to do some things that public school programs don't, like go out of town to Ohio, Wisconsin, and other state schools. When out of town at another school, we get to socialize more and really get to know some kids. Wrestling helps you grow up. Wrestling may not be easy but it is a good sport. Wrestling has done a lot for me over the years. To be a good wrestler takes a lot of hard work and determination. To me, wrestling is the best sport going around.

The Homework Witch

by Sean Dorsey

Hello, my name is Terry Jones. I go to Foster Brooks High in Pennsylvania. I'm your average teenager. I love to party, go to the movies with my girlfriend (whom I just broke up with), and act stupid in class.

Our regular teacher, Mrs. Flannel, has gone to the hospital to give birth. The new teacher we have, Ms. Henkel, is the creepiest old lady I've ever seen! She wears little round glasses that sit way out on her long, pointed nose, and she has long, black, nappy hair. She calls her big black cat Shoulder Bones, and boy, do I hate that cat!

Ms. Henkel doesn't tolerate people missing assignments. One day as she was writing an assignment on the board, she suddenly stopped, turned around, and asked the class, "Does anyone in here believe in ghosts?"

"No! Who believes in ghosts any more?" said Clarence Towns.

"Those who don't believe in ghosts and don't do their homework might become clowns," she said ominously. I walked out of the room laughing my head off.

I got a ride home after school with Benny Peers, the class nerd. "Hey, Terry, are you going to turn in your report on starvation?" he asked.

"Heck no, man. I'm gonna step in the door and have a party with my bed," I said and turned up the music in the car to drown out any more stupid questions he might come up with.

The house was a little cooler than usual. I walked into the kitchen and began to make a sandwich. "Man! This will be the best ham and cheese I've ever had!" I thought. Suddenly, a cold gust of wind blew into the kitchen and hurled everything to the floor. I headed in the direction the wind was coming from, and when I reached the living room, I found the front door wide open!

Locking the door, I ran upstairs to my room. My poodle, Trash, was lying on my bed, and all of my books were opened to the pages assigned that week. A plate of cookies and a glass of milk were on the dresser. "Gee, Trash, you're smarter than I thought," I laughed, "but I'm not doing any stupid homework!"

Picking up the milk and cookies, I walked back to the living room. I picked up the phone and hollered, "Hey, Trash! You wanna go see the Steelers' game tonight with me and Sherie?

We'll cross your paws and hope she says yes!" I dialed her number and waited for an answer.
After about a minute, a strange voice came through the receiver: "Hello. This is the Homework Hotline. Tracey Briggs speaking."

"Homework Hotline!" I shouted. "There must be something wrong with our phone, ma'am, because there's no way I could've--"

A hideous laughing sound came through the phone. "You dialed the right number," the voice said, "but no Sherie lives in here--just the coolies." Then the phone went dead, and I hung up.

"Man, do I need some fresh air!" I thought. I opened the door, and as far as I could see, everything was red.

Something tapped me on the shoulder, and I whirled around. "I told you that this was hell," said a strange-looking woman dressed in black. A black cat sat at her side.

"Who are you?" I asked.

"Why, I'm the Homework Witch," she said.

"Witch!" I hollered. "I don't believe in any ole witch!" I screamed.

"I'm not any old witch, young Terrence! I only cast spells on people who never do their homework."

"Well, that isn't me," I said, "'cause I do my homework."

"Do you, Terrence?" replied the witch, sitting down in my dad's favorite chair. "What about today?" she asked.

I stepped a little closer to her. "What about today?" I said.

Pointing a bony finger at our television set, she snarled, "There it is!" A thin stream of light shot out of her finger and struck the television. It shook and made funny noises, then showed me sitting at my desk.

"That's me!" I said softly, not believing my eyes.

"Yes, that's you and your new teacher, Ms. Henkel. Remember, she told you earlier that if you didn't do your homework, you would be turned into a clown?"

"Yes, but ... You wouldn't! Please don't!"

"I'm sorry," said the witch as she waved a wand over her head, "but a Homework Witch has many more class clowns to visit tonight."

The wand suddenly grew extremely bright, and I felt my whole body shrink.

"You're now a clown," she said and started laughing. I screamed.

I opened my eyes and found myself in class. I looked at Ms. Henkel and noticed for the first time that she was dressed all in black.

WILDCATS TAKE FIRST PLACE IN THE N.C.A.S.V.H. TOURNAMENT

CLASS A

EDDIE WORLEY (28 points)
1st in the 1200 Meter Shuttle-5:25.02

CLASS B

ROGER ABERCROMBIE (23 points)
1st 600 Meter Shuttle-1:56.68, 3rd 1600 Meter Tandem-6:14.23, 4th 60 Meter Dash-0:12.22, 5th Shot Put-8.05 m. and 6th 3 Consecutive Jump-7.31

ROGER WHEATLEY (18 points)
2nd Standing long jump-2:44 m. 4th High Jump 4'-4", 4th 600 Meter Shuttle-2:09.56, and 5th 60 Meter Dash-0:08.32

JAMES WILLIAMS (28 points)
2nd High Jump-4'-9", 2nd 1600 Meter Run, 3rd 600 Meter Shuttle-2:05.66, 4th 3 Consecutive Jump-7.69 m. and 5th Standing triple jump-6.64 m.

CLASS C

JEROME CAMPBELL (8 points)
2nd 60 Meter Dash-0:08.07

SEAN DORSEY (10 points)
1st Shot Put-11.22 m.

MACK KEATON (26 points)
2nd High Jump-5'-6", 2nd Shot Put-11.19 m. and Running long jump-5.09 m. and 5th 400 Meter Dash-1:00.46

ROBERT MILLER (18 points)
3rd 800 Meter Dash-2:24.25, 4th 400 Meter Dash-1:00.43, 4th Running long jump-4.89 m. and 4th Shot Put-10.06 m.

BOB RABE (40 points) * NEW CONFERENCE RECORD
1st High Jump-5'-6", 1st 800 Meter Dash-2:19.92, 1st 1600 Meter Run-5:25.60, 2nd Running triple jump-10.57 m. and 5th Running long jump-4.85 m.

GLENN SMALLWOOD (23.5 points)
2nd 800 Meter Dash-2:23.50, 2nd 100 Meter Run-5:32.12, 3rd 60 Meter Dash-0:08.41, and Tie for 5th High Jump-4'-8"

COMMENTS ABOUT THE TRACK MEET

Interviewers for this article were Ottis Florence, David Hadl, Mack Keaton, and John Scrogham.

Jack Quillen liked all of the competition, the dance, and the girls.

Roger Wheatley liked the food. He thought his performance was good and he also thought the hard work paid off.

Robert Miller liked the competition.

Amanda Durik liked the awards banquet.

Glenda Ritchie enjoyed the team's spirit.

Tonia Boyd enjoyed the night out for pizza most of all. Tonia also won a first place medal and fourth and sixth place ribbons.

Rhonda Sletton was the co-captain for the girls' track team. She won fifth and sixth place ribbons at the track meet.

Bob Rabe was the co-captain for the boys' track team. Bob enjoyed the thrill of victory because he could compete against other athletes who were in the same status as he was. He won three first places, a second place, and a fifth place.

Mack Keaton was the captain of the boys' track team. Most of all, Mack enjoyed receiving the first place trophy. Mack also thought that they had very good food.

Jerome Campbell enjoyed the 60 meter dash because this was his sixth year of running it, but this year he won second place.

Sean Dorsey liked the gold medals, the food, and meeting the other girls from the other teams.

James Williams liked the events, the medals, and most of all, the banquet.

Eddie Worley enjoyed his winning, the medals, and the banquet.

Lynn Smallwood enjoyed the dance, the food, and the way the track meet was run.

Margaret Mattingly liked the meet, the dance, and the organization of the track meet.

Roger Abercrombie enjoyed meeting new people.

Allison Geske says that she thought the trip could have been better.

Malinda Mullins enjoyed meeting the other participants.

Glenn Smallwood liked the competition.

Carlissa Taylor enjoyed the dance.

GIRLS' TRACK TEAM PLACES FIFTH IN N.C.

Kentucky girls' track team coached by Ms. Susan Bridges showed great spirit and determination throughout the season. The team consisted of Margaret Mattingly, Rhonde Sletten, Malinda Mullins, Glenda Ritchie, Lynn Smallwood, Amanda Durik, Tonia Boyd, Carlissa Taylor, Lori Stith, and manager Allison Geske. Accumulating a total of 63 points in the conference tournament, Kentucky placed fifth behind Arkansas, Wisconsin, Indiana, and Illinois.

Almost all the girls will be returning in 1988, so the future for girls' track is bright!

BOYS' VARSITY TRACK TEAM GOES UNDEFEATED

The members of the 1987 undefeated boys' varsity track were Bob Rabe (co-captain), Mack Keaton (co-captain), Robert Miller, Glenn Smallwood, Jerome Campbell, Sean Dorsey, Roger Abercrombie, Roger Wheatley, James Williams, Eddie Worley, Jack Quillen (manager), Coach Larry Mann, and Assistant Coash Kenneth Jones.

On September 12, the boys' track team went to Jacksonville, Illinois, for a three-way meet. The meet started on Friday evening and continued early Saturday morning. The final scores were Kentucky first with 119, Indiana second with 108, Illinois third with 45 points.

On September 19, we had our home meet. It started early Saturday morning and ended about 4:00 that afternoon. The top three teams were Kentucky first with 136 points, Ohio second with 70 1/2, and Arkansas third with 56 1/2 points.

On October 3, the boys went to Indiana for a six-way meet. The team left Friday after lunch and returned late Saturday night. First place went to Kentucky with a score of 261 1/2 points. Indiana was second with a score of 256, Illinois third with 117, Ohio fourth with 81, Arkansas fifth with 66 1/2, and Wisconsin with a score of 18 was sixth.

On October 9-10 the team was in Tennessee for the NCASVH Track and Field Tournament. It started early Friday morning, stopped Friday evening, started up again Saturday morning and ended Saturday evening. In first place was Kentucky with 222 1/2 points. In second place was Indiana with 182 1/2; third went to Missouri with 95; fourth to Illinois with 84. Fifth place went to Arkansas with 50; sixth to Nebraska with 42; seventh to Tennessee with 30; eighth to Ohio with 31; ninth to Kansas with 25; tenth to Iowa with 21; eleventh to Wisconsin with 2, and twelfth to Minnesota with 0.

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